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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Application Number		10/759,140
Confirmation Number		6970
Filing Date		January 20, 2004
First Named Inventor		Kazuaki SOMENO
Group Art Unit		1713
Examiner Name		Rip A. Lee
Matter Number		Q79470
Title	METHOD OF PRODUCING A RUBBER COMPOSITION	

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. \(\overline{\Omega} \) Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 2, 2006 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii.□ Other b. \(\overline{\Omega} \) Enclosed i. □ Amendment/Reply ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) iii. 🗆 iv. ✓ Petition for Extension of Time v. 🗆 Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS a.

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months b. Other 3. FEES Checks for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 and \$450.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: 07/28/2006 JADDO1 00000059 10759140 WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 01 FC:1801 790.00 OP CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 51,283 Name Fang Liu Date July 27, 2006